NUMBER OF JUVENILE FELONY ARRESTS

Description of Indicator

This indicator measures the number of arrests of persons under 18 years of age in Orange County every year. Felonies include homicide, robbery, rape and aggravated battery or assault.

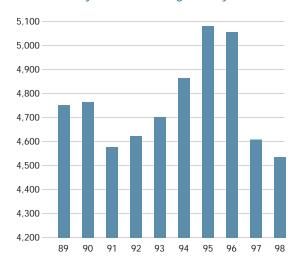
Why is it Important?

Juvenile felony crimes impact the safety of residents and serve as an indicator of safety in the community.

How is Orange County Doing?

Juvenile felony arrests have risen and fallen throughout a 5-year period, increasing 6.63% from 1994-1995. The past three consecutive years have seen a decline in number of arrests, with a low of 4,537 arrests in 1998 despite a concurrent increase in population. The average population rate increase for the 5-year period was 1.45%, with 1997 having the largest increase of 1.72%.

Juvenile Felony Arrests for Orange County 1989-1998



Source: Office of the Attorney General, California Criminal Justice Profile 1998: A Supplement to Crime and Delinquency in California bttp://caag.state.ca.us/cjsc/prof98/cover.pdf

NUMBER OF PROPERTY AND VIOLENT CRIMES PER THOUSAND PEOPLE

Description of Indicator

This indicator measures the number of property and violent crimes per thousand people in Orange County. Property crimes include burglary, larceny and auto theft. Violent crimes include murder, non-negligent manslaughter, rape, robbery and assault.

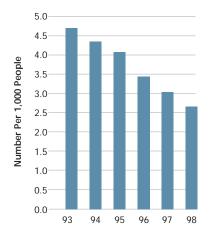
Why is it important?

Crime impacts both the real and perceived level of safety in a community. Real and perceived levels of safety can differ greatly from one another.

How is Orange County Doing?

Per capita property crime has shown a steady decline, reaching its lowest level in 1998 at 2.67 crimes per thousand people. Violent crime increased from 1993 to 1994 and decreased each year thereafter, despite the increase in population over the same period. The average population rate increase for the same time period was 1.45 %, with 1997 having the largest increase of 1.72%.

Property Crime Rate for Orange County



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Violent Crime Rate for Orange County

